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For : METHOD FOR INCREASING THE PROCESS
STABILITY, PARTICULARLY THE ABSOLUTE
THICKNESS PRECISION AND THE INSTALLATION
SAFETY DURING THE HOT ROLLING OF STEEL
OR NONFERROUS MATERIALS

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RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS

Sir:

In response to the Notification of Missing Requirements dated April 10, 2007 applicants submit herewith duly executed declaration.

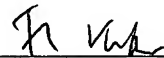
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Should any additional fee be required, the Commissioner is authorized to charge such fee, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 11-1835.

As required, a copy of the Notification of Missing Requirements is attached.

Since all the missing requirements have now been supplied, it is submitted that the application is now complete and in form for examination. Accordingly, such examination and prompt allowance are earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



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Copy of Notification of Missing Requirements;
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NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Copy of the International Application filed on 07/21/2006
- English Translation of the IA filed on 07/21/2006
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 07/21/2006
- Copy of IPE Report filed on 07/21/2006
- Copy of Annexes to the IPE filed on 07/21/2006
- English Translation of Annexes to the IPE filed on 07/21/2006
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 07/21/2006
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 07/21/2006
- Oath or Declaration filed on 07/21/2006
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 07/21/2006
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 07/21/2006
- Priority Documents filed on 07/21/2006

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date. The current oath or declaration does not comply with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b) in that it:
 - is not executed in accordance with either 37 CFR 1.66 or 37 CFR 1.68.
- To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the

missing items identified in this letter.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is **\$130** for a Large Entity:

- **\$130** Surcharge.

Additionally the following defects have been observed:

- Annexes have not been entered because no english translation provided.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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